

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-14 and 23 remain in this application. Claims 15-22 have been cancelled without prejudice as being directed to nonelected subject matter.

The October 5, 2004 Office Action provided a restriction requirement wherein restriction Group I was:

“Claims 1-14, 23 are drawn to products of the formula depicted in claim 1, and a process of making the product depicted in claim 1, classified in various subclasses 514, 544, 546 and 548.”

As the Office Action acknowledges the Applicants provisionally elected to prosecute Group I at this time. The Office Action also requests that Applicants elect a species for prosecution, but also acknowledges the Applicants’ election the species of Example 7.

The Office Action also provides an Office-limited version of Claim 1 that is narrower than the definition provided in restriction Group I and object to Claim 1-14 and 23 as being directed to non-elected subject matter. Applicants respectfully traverse this objection. Claims 1-14 and 23 in their current form do not exceed the bounds of the restriction Group I. Accordingly, the rejection is improper given the existing restriction requirement.

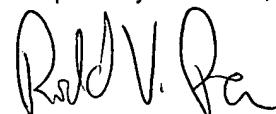
Accordingly, since there does not appear to be any relevant art preventing patentability of the pending claims, the Applicants request that Claims 1-14 and 23 be allowed in their current form.

Applicants’ attorney sincerely and respectfully requests that the Examiner consider, a telephone (805 447-3299) or personal interview to resolve any outstanding issues deemed appropriate by the Examiner.

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